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In re the Application of:

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AND FAT FOR GREAT TRAP AND GREASE TRAP

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS OF AN APPLICATION FILED UNDER 35 U.S.C 371

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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## Commissioner:

Section 1893.01(c) of the MPEP states that "A preliminary amendment accompanying the initial national stage submission under 35 U.S.C. 371 that cancels claims and/or eliminates multiple dependent claims will be effective to reduce the number of claims to be considered in calculating extra claim fees required under 37 CFR 1.492(b)-(c) and/or eliminate the multiple dependent claim fee required under 37 CFR 1.492(d).

Applicant herein provides a preliminary amendment under MPEP 1893.01(c) that modifies the claims to remove multiple dependency.

It is believed that there are no extensions necessary for this amendment, nor should there be any other fees due for this preliminary amendment. However, if the Examiner finds that a fee is due Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment with respect to this paper to Apex Juris, pllc., Deposit Account No. 502069.

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